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SUBJECT: NEW INITIATIVE ON BURDENSARING

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1. ASSISTANT SECRETARY HERMES HAS NOW TELEPHONED TO
GIVE FOLLOWING REACTION:

" THE FRG HAS ALWAYS SAID BURDENSARING IS A MULTILATERAL
AFFAIR. WE THINK IT IS QUITE APPROPRIATE TO SUGGEST AN
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IDEA IN NATO. IF IT COMES TO A MULTILATERAL SOLUTION, THE FRG WILL COOPERATE. WHATEVER THE FRG OFFSETS BILATERALLY SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION IN MULTILATERAL BURDENSARING AND VICE VERSA. HOWEVER, HOW MUCH RECEPTIVITY TO MULTILATERAL BURDENSARING THERE IS AMONG OTHER PARTNERS IN THE ALLIANCE REMAINS AN OPEN QUESTION. WHEN A MOVE WAS MADE IN THAT DIRECTION SOME YEARS AGO, IT DID NOT RESULT IN A SATISFACTORY SOLUTION. WE THINK, THEREFORE, THAT SUCH AN INITIATIVE FOR MULTILATERAL BURDENSARING REQUIRES MORE PREPARATION WITH OTHER PARTNERS IN THE ALLIANCE. IT WOULD, THEREFORE, BE OUR SUGGESTION THAT BEFORE OFFICIALLY SUBMITTING IT IN THE NATO COUNCIL, THERE SHOULD BE CONSULTATION REGARDING SUCH A PROPOSITION AND ITS FORM WITH THOSE PARTNERS IN THE ALLIANCE WHO MIGHT BE POTENTIAL PARTICIPANTS. WE THINK IT WOULD NOT BE GOOD TO SUBMIT SUCH AN IDEA IN NATO AND HAVE A FAILURE OF SUCH AN INITIATIVE."

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